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In re Application of: Minyu Li and Keith Darrell Lokkesmoe	
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For: CONVEYOR LUBRICANT AND METHOD FOR TRANSPORTING ARTICLES ON A CONVEYOR SYSTEM	

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the below-referenced applications. For the convenience of the Examiner, we have listed the application with the corresponding patent number or what we believe the present status to be as follows:

<u>Application Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u> if applicable	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Patent No.</u>
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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number, if any assistance is needed during prosecution of the present application.

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